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Newsletter



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From the Principal

House Swimming -

Thursday turned out to be a great day for our House Swimming Sports. With the number of interschool sports that have to be fitted into our calendar this day now needs to be held very early in the term. Congratulations to all of our participants, it was great to see so many students cheering on all competitors regardless of their placing or their house. It was excellent to see such a large crowd of parents, grandparents, family and friends also there to cheer on the students. Congratulations to the winners, place getters, record breakers, and age group champions and of course Winjeel for their overall win. A huge thank you to Mr Willersdorf for his excellent preparation for the day. Thanks also to all of the helpers, especially Mrs Ross and Paul and Barb Ireland for their work in the canteen. A large number of our students from 7-10 have now qualified to compete in Mildura on Friday for a place in the MMM team, that will then compete at the Mallee Division Swimming on the 4th of March.

HPV / Swimming Training -

Mrs Wyatt would like to advise students that HPV endurance training begins after school tomorrow. The first two weeks will be swimming training. She has expressed that anyone wanting to do swimming training, to prepare for the approaching interschool swimming sports is more than welcome.

Year 12 Biology Trip -

Miss Bailey and her Year 12 Biology and Chemistry students have travelled to Melbourne over the weekend to carry out workshops at Gene Technology Access Centre (Biology) today, and at



Melbourne University (Chemistry) tomorrow. During these workshops the students will have access to specialised equipment that is not available at school. They will complete a number of practical experiments that will form the basis of their School Assessed Coursework.

John Monash Science School -

Today four of our Year 10 students and their parents connected up with the John Monash Science School via our Polycom video-conferencing unit. The students were given information about their upcoming regional exchange to the science school. Ben Finn, Mariah Daniel, Lexi Thomas and Abigail Sparnon will travel to Melbourne and live with host families during the exchange. During their time they will study a number of specialised science units and will prepare and exhibit for the Science Fair that his held later in the year.

Motivational Media -

Today our secondary students were treated to their 2015 presentation of JIGSAW. The students again reacted very positively to this presentation that inspired them through the stories of others. It showed them that through determination and hard work great things can be achieved and to not let perceived inabilities get in the way of life's possibilities.

Natasha Mudie - Principal

Age Group Champions at MCC House Swimming



The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2015 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May 2015. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.



All students are expected to participate in the NAPLAN tests. During test week, catch-up tests will be available for individual students who are absent on test days. These students may undertake catch-up tests on the days in the test week after the scheduled test, up to and including Friday 15 May 2015.

Later in the year you will receive your child's personal NAPLAN report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

For more information about the tests, please visit the NAP website at www.nap.edu.au

If you have any concerns about your child and NAPLAN could you please contact the school as soon as possible.

Fionna Edwards



A reminder to parents of all secondary students attending the 2015 Tasmania camp from June Tasmania 15th – 19th

- \$50 Deposit due by Friday February 20th 2015
- \$175 due by Friday April 17th 2015 &
- \$175 due by Friday May 29th 2015

WANTED FOR THE PRIMARY SECTOR

- ★ Old icecream / margarine containers
- ★ Old bathers / swim tops Please leave at the front office or in the gallery

if you are able to help out



AVAILABLE MONDAY-FRIDAY Wraps / Sandwiches / Rolls Ham & Cheese or Chicken & Cheese Hot Rolls

ALL ORDERS ARE TO BE PLACED BEFORE SCHOOL

Please - no more than \$5 in your envelope



Persistence Respect Independence Determination Excellence

Certificates for Inspiring Pride were awarded today to:

Prep

Lachlan Nuske - for showing great DETERMINATION to improve his swimming Oliver Berlin - for demonstrating INDEPENDENCE in his first year of schooling

Years 1/2

Brooklyn Morzer-Bruyns - for showing RESPECT to all those around him Matilda Wyatt - for showing INDEPENDENCE in working out ways to solve problems

Years 3/4

Emma Parker – for consistently demonstrating RESPECT for the feelings of other people **Alex Tzokas** – for demonstrating PERSISTENCE when writing his 'Howl' text during a VCOP lesson Rourke Mudie & Jett Oakley - for their DETERMINATION to improve their handwriting

Years 5/6

Luka Morzer-Bruyns - for showing great RESPECT towards his and others' learning as well as our shared learning space. Fantastic start Luka! **Dermott Boston** - for showing PERSISTENCE at the MCC swimming carnival - never giving up!



SWIMMING

A win to Winjeel (2064points) - Lowan scored 1642 points. Congratulations to all competitors, particularly the champions:

Boys

12-13 George Heintze R/up Bram Schiller Clay Kingdon R/up Blake Virgo 14 15 Henry Gibson R/up Colby Hawthorne 16 Ryan Hawthorne R/up Jack Sharrad 17 Matthew Beer R/up Kobe Henderson 18-20 Damon Herbert R/up Nick Bridge

Girls

12-13 Lara Mudie
14 Kirsty Heintze
15 Maddison Mudie
16 Brooke McNeilly
17 Jayme-Lee Brown
18-20 Ella Gibson
R/up Mariah Daniel
R/up Lexi Thomas
R/up Darcy Weckert
R/up Kayley Beer

Record Breakers

10 YO Cooper Wisneske (25m Freestyle & 25m Backstroke) 11 YO Suzie Beckmann (25m Freestyle, 25m Backstroke & 25m Breaststroke)

16 Ryan Hawthorne (50m Breaststroke)









CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEDAL WINNERS







TUIL AWARDS

Mildura Rural City Council Youth Awards 2015 Now Open!

The Mildura Rural City Council Youth Awards have been established to recognise young people aged 12 to 25 years of age for their achievements and contributions to the community. The Award nominees will be acknowledged in April 2015 as part of National Youth Week Celebrations.

The award program aims to recognise a diverse range of young people with varying potential and skills. Nominations are now open. Nomination forms can be found on Council's Website.

AWARD CATEGORIES

- ★ <u>Youth Carer Award</u> This category recognises a young person who is the primary carer for a family member, relative or friend with a disability, mental illness or chronic condition.
- ★ <u>Youth Volunteer Award</u> This category recognises a young person who has given up his/.her valuable time and effort for the benefits of a community organisation or the community more generally.
- ★ <u>Youth Group Award</u> This category recognises a young person who has shown outstanding dedication through their involvement or participation in the community and have made a significant difference.
- ★ <u>Youth Artist Award</u> (group or individual award) This category recognises a young person or group, who has demonstrated initiative, innovation and made a positive community contribution through drama, visual arts, performing arts, technical support, debating, literacy pursuits or music.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- ★ Nominees must be between 12 and 25 years of age as of 1 January 2015
- ★ Nominees must either live, work, volunteer or study in the Mildura Rural City Council municipality
- ★ Young people who have moved due to study or work commitments are still eligible to enter if they have lived, worked, volunteered or studied in Mildura over the previous 12 months
- ★ For any group nominations, at least 80 per cent of the group members must be between 12 and 25 years of age
- ★ Entries must be received by Mildura Rural City Council Youth Services by **5.00pm on Friday 27 February 2015**
- ★ Information on the nomination form will be assessed against the judging criteria
- ★ Recipients of a youth award in the previous two years will not be eligible to win an award



More information - Phone: 03 5018 8293, or email barbara.clifford@mildura.vic.gov.au





Community Notices

16/2 Motivational Media 16-17/2 Biology/Chemistry Excursion 20/2 MMM Swimming in Mildura 24/2 College Council BBQ 27/2 **UDSSA** Swimming in Ouyen 4/3 Mallee Division Swimming Sports 5/3 Arts Council: 7-12 at 2pm 3-6 Sleepover at school 17/3 LM Swimming in Swan Hill 18-19/3 P-6 Parent/Teacher Interviews School Photos 23/3 P-6 Harmony Day Lunch 24/3 **Immunisation** VCE Parent/Teacher interviews 27/3 End of Term I 3-6/4 Easter 13/4 Term 2 Starts

Attempt the impossible in order to improve your work

VCOP Sessions: P-6 parents

7-10 Parent/Teacher interviews

Anzac Performance

House Cross Country

LIONS YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

This gives Australian youth (16-21) the opportunity to live with Lions families overseas during end-of-year holidays This cultural holiday includes supervised sightseeing and gives students the opportunity to practise another language Check out www.lionsclubs.org.au/ye

Murrayville Netball Club

Nominations now open for Coaches for all grades for 2015 season Please express your interest to Lisa Crane or Jaimi Willersdorf or MNC PO Box 29, Murrayville Vic 3512 before Sunday 22nd February We look forward to having you be

Become A Volunteer Host Family - It's Fun!

World Education Program (WEP) is inviting you to experience another culture in your own home by becoming a volunteer host family to an international student arriving in July 2015. These students look forward to experiencing life in Australia, making new friends and becoming a member of an Australian family soon.



Hosting Is Fun! Find Out more!

Getting to know your student well before he or she arrives is rewarding learning experience, fun for everyone involved and helps your student settle quickly. To help you make this important decision, contact WEP today to receive an information pack for your family. Check out http://www.wep.org.au for more information.



Sunday 29th March - followed by family entertainment

Distance: 3 km, 5 km and 10 km

9 am — 12 noon at the Pinnaroo Football Grounds

Cost: Adults 3 km: \$25.00, 5km: \$30.00 10 km: \$35.00

Children 12 y.o. -15 y.o: \$15.00

Under 12 free and must be accompanied by an adult at all times

Registration: ONLINE WEBSITE pinnaroofunrunwalkandroll.com

Early Bird Before 1st March

Pick up pack on day if registered 1st March – 26th March

PLEASE NOTE

NO Bikes, Skateboards, Roller-skates, Children Scooters or Pets

COMMUNICATIONS SENT HOME THIS WEEK

(* Return from parents)

- 7-12 Students payment details re Tasmania camp * 1.
- 2. VCE 3 & 4 English students - 2015 course information
- 3. Year 10 - 2015 English course information
- VCE Students information session (after swimming sports) * Please check that you have received this information and, if not, contact the College for another copy



15/4

24/4

29/4

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